

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

As reflected below, claims 1, 11 and 26 have been amended and claims 4, 14, 22-25 and 29 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1-3, 5-13, 15-21, 26-28 and 30-33 are presented for reconsideration at set forth below:

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1. (Currently Amended) In a device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of ~~presenting~~ displaying video signals and chat communications in frames on the display in any of multiple a plurality of selectable display modes, each of the display modes defining the relative positions and sizes of the display frames that offer different proportions, positions, or other display features for the video signals and chat communications, a method comprising:

receiving a video signal at the device;

receiving at the device one or more chat communications corresponding to the video signal;

displaying the video signal and the one or more chat communications on the display in a first display mode, such that the video signal is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the one or more chat communications are displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display with a first proportion, position, or other display feature for displaying the video signal and the one or more chat communications; and

displaying with the video signal and the one or more chat communications a link to a second display mode that is different than the first display mode, such that when the link is selected, at least one of the size and position of at least the second frame changes, with a second proportion, position, or other display feature, that differs from the first proportion, position, or other display feature for displaying the video signal and one or more chat communications.

2. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the video signal comprises a television show.

3. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or more chat communications comprise text.

4. (Cancelled).

5. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the one or more chat communications overlay a portion of the video signal.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
changing the video signal to receive a different channel, and in response to the different channel sending a request to a server for different chat communication corresponding to the different channel.

7. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
actuating the link and thereby interpreting a document having display attributes corresponding to the second display mode.

8. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying an area on the display for sending information relating to the video signal or the one or more chat communications.

9. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising displaying an area on the display for scrolling through the one or more chat communications.

10. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising:
selecting the link, wherein the link identifies a television markup language document that represents the second display mode, and
rendering the document to display the video signal and one or more chat communications in accordance with the second display mode.

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11. (Currently Amended) In a device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of ~~presenting~~ displaying video content and chat frames on the display in any of a plurality of selectable display modes, each of the display modes defining the relative positions and sizes of the display frames ~~in accordance with one or more display attributes of one or more display formats for the video content and the chat~~, a method comprising:

receiving a video signal at the device;

sending from the device to a server chat relating to the video signal;

receiving from the server by the device chat relating to the video signal; and

displaying the video signal and the one or more chat communications in a first display mode, such that the video signal is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the one or more chat communications are displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display; and

displaying with the video signal and the one or more chat communications a link to a second display mode that is different than the first display mode, such that when the link is selected, at least one of the size and position of at least the first frame changes.

~~displaying the video signal and the chat received from the server together on the display, as determined by one or more display attributes of an initial display format, along with a link to a different display format having at least one display attribute for displaying the video signal and the received chat that differs from the one or more display attributes of the initial display format.~~

12. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the video signal comprises a television show.

13. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 11, wherein the chat comprises text corresponding to the video signal.

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15. (Original) The method of claim 11, wherein the chat overlies a portion of the video signal.

16. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising:
changing the video signal to receive a different channel,
receiving a different video signal corresponding to the different channel, and
sending, in response to receiving the different video signal, a request to a server
for different chat corresponding to the different channel.

17. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising actuating the link and thereby accessing a document having one or more display attributes corresponding to the different format.

18. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising displaying an area on the display for sending information relating to the video signal or chat.

19. (Previously Amended) The method of claim 11, further comprising displaying an area on the display for scrolling through the chat.

20. (Currently Amended) A device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of displaying video content and chat in ~~accordance with one or more display features determined by a plurality of selectable one or more display formats, each display format controlling the relative positions and sizes of the display frames~~ for the video content and the chat, comprising:

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means for displaying video and chat corresponding to the video in a first display mode, such that the video content is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the chat is displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display; and

~~that determines proportion, position, or other display feature for the video and chat; and~~

means for switching to a second display mode upon receiving a selection from a link displayed at the display, the second display mode being different than the first display mode, such that when the link is selected, the means for switching to a second display mode includes means for switching at least one of the size and position of at least one of the first and second frame changes, with at least one display feature for the video and chat corresponding to the video which differs from the first display mode.

21. (Previously Amended) The device of claim 20, wherein the means for switching to the second display mode includes actuating a hypertext link displayed in the first display mode.

Claims 22-25 (Cancelled).

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26. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable medium having computer-executable instructions for performing a method in a device having a graphical user interface and a display capable of displaying video signals and chat communications in frames on the display in any of a plurality of selectable display modes, each of the display modes defining the relative positions and sizes of the display frames, wherein the method comprises the steps of:

receiving a video signal at the device;

sending from the device to a server chat relating to the video signal;

receiving from the server by the device chat relating to the video signal; and

displaying the video signal and the one or more chat communications in a first display mode, such that the video signal is displayed in a first frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display, and such that the one or more chat communications are displayed in a second frame that has a corresponding size and position on the display; and

displaying with the video signal and the one or more chat communications a link to a second display mode that is different than the first display mode, such that when the link is selected, at least one of the size and position of at least one of the first and second frames changes.

~~displaying video and chat regarding the video in a first display mode according to a first set of instructions that determines at least one proportion, position, or other display feature for the video and chat;~~

~~displaying a link to a second display mode with a second set of instructions that determines at least one proportion, position, or other display feature for the video and chat, wherein at least one display feature of the second display mode differs from the first display mode;~~

~~actuating the link; and~~

~~displaying the video and the chat regarding the video according to the second set of instructions of the second display mode.~~

27. (Previously Added) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein the video comprises a television show.

28. (Previously Added) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 27, further comprising computer-executable instruction for:

changing the video to a different channel, and in response to the different channel sending a request to a server for different chat corresponding to the different channel.

29. (Cancelled).

30. (Previously Added) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein the chat overlies a portion of the video.

31. (Previously Added) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein the link identifies a markup language document that represents the second display mode.

32. (Previously Added) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, further comprising computer-executable instruction for displaying an area on the display for scrolling through the chat.

33. (Previously Added) A computer-readable medium as recited in claim 26, wherein a markup language document represents the first display mode, the computer-readable medium further comprising computer-executable instruction for rendering the document to display the video and the chat in accordance with the first display mode.